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FIFTY-ONE BELOW.

Minnesota Is the Coldest
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Country.

YET NO ONE THERE IS MUCH AF-
FECTED BY THE TEM-
PERATURE.

Awful Suffering From Cold
and Hunger in
Chicago.

THE SEVEREST WEATHER IN THE
HISTORY OF THAT
CITY.

Low Temperature Prevails
Everywhere East of
the Rockies.

AND IS LIKELY TO CONTINUE THE
REMAINDER OF THE
WEEK.

The Remarkable Barometric Conditions
Which Bred the Cold Wave in the
Frozen Wilds of the Cana-
dian Northwest.

DULUTH, Minn., Jan. 25.—The Govern-
ment thermometers register 22 degrees be-
low. There is an absence of wind. On the
ranges, at Virginia, 61 below is the figure;
at Tower, 45; at Fly, 40; at Two Harbors, 28.

CHICAGO, Jan. 25.—Realizing that during
this severe weather delay in offering relief
to the destitute might be fatal in many
cases, Mayor Swift has called upon the po-
lice force of the city to aid in the work of
gathering information concerning the ur-
gent needs of the thousands of suffering
poor of Chicago.

Through the complete organization of the
force, covering the entire city by divi-
sions and precincts, and the elaborate tele-
phone system by which each precinct may
be in ready communication with the head-
quarters of the department, the Mayor
hopes to prevent the loss of life which
might ensue through a more tardy means
of dealing with urgent cases.

It is the Mayor's purpose, pending the
time when the work of relief through in-
telligence gathered by the police can be
put into organized form, to be personally
responsible for whatever sums it may be
necessary to expend to relieve extreme
cases of need and save the poor from
freezing or starving.

Nearly 1,500 homeless men partook of the
hospitality of the city last night and slept
under the roofs of the police stations.

Fifty-three persons were listed as over-
come by the terrible cold in Chicago and
were rescued in a partly frozen condition.
One death occurred which was due to the
cold, and a number of people are likely to
die as the result of frozen limbs. Most of
the sufferers succumbed to the cold while
about their work, but a number of the
victims were homeless wanderers.

At Grand Crossing thirty-three families
with eighty-six children were found in their
poorly protected hovels, unable to care for
themselves. In South Chicago five families
were found actually freezing to death. All
these cases were cared for by the city.

According to the records of the Weather
Bureau Sunday was the coldest day in
Chicago in twenty-five years. At no time
since the Chicago station was established
has there been so low a temperature re-
corded. It was a steady cold. There was a
variation of but 4 degs. in the twelve hours
from 5 o'clock in the morning until the same
hour in the evening. It was never warmer
during the day than 9 degs. below zero—at
3 o'clock in the afternoon.

At midnight the mercury touched 15 below
zero.

Indications received at the weather bureau
are for still more freezing weather to-day.
"Worse and more of it," is the way the
weather man puts it.

A wave of Arctic cold is sweeping down
from the Northwest, propelled by one of the
lowest barometer areas known to the ex-
perts in the service of the weather bureau.
Before night this wave will have reached
over the whole country from the Rockies
as the Atlantic Coast and to the edge of the
Gulf of Mexico. It is the severest and most
extensive that has passed over the country
in two years. No section can escape its
share of the weather which is now wrapping
Chicago in "mantles of ice."

Last evening the cold wave had moved as
far South as Oklahoma, and even there the
temperature was two degrees below zero.
To the East it had advanced to the western
boundary of Pennsylvania, and yet there
were no signs of a let-up to be discovered.

In the Northwest the temperature went
down to fifty below at Medicine Hat.
From a meteorological point of view, the
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A CHILLY DAY AT WASHINGTON.



GOV. STEPHENS' APPOINTMENTS.

CHARLES P. HIGGINS IS EXCISE
COMMISSIONER.

HIS OLD SHOES IN DEMAND.

Democrats Who Are Willing to Suc-
ceed Him as President of Elec-
tion Commissioners.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Jan. 25.—Charles
P. Higgins is to be Excise Commissioner at
St. Louis. The appointment was officially
announced by Gov. Stephens this morning.
The Excise Commissioner is solely
within the power of the Governor and does
not require Senate confirmation.

It is generally believed here that since
Higgins has been made Excise Commis-
sioner, the Insurance Commissioner
will be given to Ed O'Leary. On Tuesday
the Governor is expected to appoint Hig-
gins' successor as Chairman of the Board



CHARLES P. HIGGINS.

of Election Commissioners, but no infor-
mation has been given out as to who is likely
to be appointed to fill the vacancy. Two
new Police Commissioners are also likely to
be appointed Tuesday. Indications are
that one of the appointments will go to
Tony Stuever, the well-known St. Louis
brewer, and the names of ex-Fire Chief
John Lindsay, M. G. Cullinane, Orville T.
Smith, Adiel Sherwood and others are men-
tioned for the other Commissioner.

Political gossip says that the Senate will
confirm the appointments of Forster and
Bannerman.

The official announcement of Higgins' appointment as Excise Commissioner is
creating much comment among the St.
Louis contingent here.

When word reached the city this morning
that Gov. Stephens had appointed Charles
P. Higgins Excise Commissioner specula-
tion as to his successor as President of the
Board of Election Commissioners, engaged
the attention of the politicians.

It is said that Thomas E. Barrett, who is
pulling the strings for the clerkship of the
St. Louis Court of Appeals, would be glad
to get the presidency of the Election Board.
John A. Lee, who, it is now generally be-
lieved will not be reappointed as Police
Commissioner, is also mentioned as Higgins' successor.

Lee Meriwether's friends are pointing to
his fitness for the office. He is to be suc-
ceeded by Chairman Russell of the Popu-
list State Committee as Labor Commissioner.
It is remarked that Mr. Meriwether is
an attorney of ability, and his legal knowl-
edge would be of great service in the of-
fice of President of the Election Board.
Many politicians believe that Gov. Stephens
has a surprise in store in the appoint-
ment of Mr. Higgins' successor, and that
some man who has not been mentioned will
get the place.

Anton C. Stuever, generally known as
"Tony," is said to have received assurances
from a reliable source that he will be ap-
pointed Police Commissioner. The gossip
are at sea as to the other selection for
Police Commissioner.

The confirmation of the appointments of
go through the Senate without opposition,
it is stated. Senator Orchard of West
Virginia spent Sunday in the city and gave
out that no further fight would be made
on ex-Gov. Stone's St. Louis appointments.
The Senator is a member of the Senate Com-
mittee on Corporations, to which the St.
Louis and Kansas City appointments
were referred, and he said the committee
would report favorably and the Senate
would ratify. Senator Orchard's statement
is significant, as he is considered to be one
of the hold-over Democratic Senators who
is not wanting any love on ex-Gov. Stone's
part.

Mr. Higgins was at his home when he
heard the news. He has been suffering
from an attack of lumbago and was un-
able to leave the house Monday.
When told that the appointment had been
officially announced, he said:
"I did not expect the appointment would
be made for several days. I can only say
that I am delighted to hear of it. I will
be glad to be a credit to myself, to the
law to the letter and have no favorites.
I shall try to be a credit to myself, to the
Governor and to the administration. In
stepping out of the Election Commissioners' office,
I hope I take with me the good will
of every one. I shall do my duty honestly
and fairly, and am willing to abide by the
result."

IT WAS IRVING ADAMS.

Identity of the Alton Suicide Positi-
vely Established.

A letter received from the Barnaby Com-
pany of Providence, R. I., Sunday, by the
authorities of Alton, Ill., establishes posi-
tively the identity of the Alton suicide as
Irving W. Adams. It stated that Adams
had been cashier for the Barnaby Company
twelve years, quitting voluntarily Jan. 2 to
go West. He was presented a handsome
horn-handle umbrella by his associates.
The umbrella found near the body answers
the description. The watch found on the
body has been traced through its number
to Irving W. Adams and the spectacles, it
has been learned, were purchased at the
same store as the watch and by the same
man.

THE PLAGUE SPREADING.

Actual Number of Deaths Is Double the
Official Estimate.

HOMERAY, Jan. 25.—The actual number of
deaths from plague is double the official es-
timate and the malady is spreading slowly.

but surely. There are daily reports of fresh
outbreaks.

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—Dr. Walter Wyman,
Surgeon-General of the United States Marine
Hospital, has been making a special
study of the black death, or bubonic plague,
now raging in India, the deadliest scourge
that ever afflicted the earth. It has already
been brought by infected seamen to Mar-
sailles, France.

In an interview he says: "In general the
disease is spread in the same manner as
cholera, except that the cholera germ must
enter the intestinal tract while the germ of
the plague may attack any part of the mu-
cous membrane, or enter by way of the
minute abrasion of the skin. While this
germ is so virile and so easily taken into the
system, it is one of the most easily killed by
disinfection."

"There are known to be two forms of the
disease. One is the fulminating form called
'pestus major,' in which the disease
acts very quickly and is very fatal; the
other 'pestus minor,' in which the symptoms
are mild, the patient not being confined to
bed. The period for incubation for the
acute cases appears to be pretty well fixed at
under ten days, while in the mild cases the
apparent period of incubation may be very
much longer."

THERMOMETER DROPS TO ZERO.

FIRST COLD WAVE OF THE SEAS-
ON IN ST. LOUIS.

THERE IS MUCH SUFFERING.

The Poor Are in Sad Straits and the
Charitable Associations Are Over-
run With Appeals for Aid.

St. Louis is in the midst of the first gen-
uine cold wave of the season.
Zero weather is here, and Dr. Frank-
field says there is more to follow. The storm
started from the British northwest terri-
tory Friday morning, and is the fore-
caster's expression, it has "spread itself"
rapidly.

At 7 o'clock Monday morning St. Louis
thermometers registered exactly zero. Be-
fore 7 o'clock it was slightly colder.

Dr. Frankfield was busy drawing his
daily temperature map when a Post-Dis-
patch reporter called him.

"There's the biggest job of the kind I have
done this winter," he said as he held up a
map with little red lines crossing it in every
direction.

"To-day's weather knocks last winter's
record. It never went to zero at all last
winter. The lowest temperature was 5
above. It will continue cold to-night. Tues-
day it will be a little warmer, but still
cold. It will then probably get warmer
slowly, but there is no telling when we
may have another cold wave just like this
or worse."

"This cold wave just grew. It has been
coming for three days. It started up in the
British Northwest Territory Friday morn-
ing. A storm over the lakes last Friday
opened the way for it. The wave was
helped out considerably by another little
storm in Colorado Saturday morning. This
cut out a path for it and it spread itself
rapidly."

"St. Louis is not alone in the matter of
cold weather. It is 20 degs. below zero in
poor old Chicago this morning. There is
zero weather everywhere east of the Rocky
Mountains, except in the South. It was be-
low freezing even there, except on the Gulf."

As the morning wore on it became a lit-
tle warmer here, but it was still very cold
and wintry. It was cloudy all morning and
a light wind blew from the west, making the
air seem colder than the thermometer read-
ings showed it to be. The readings for the
day are as follows:

When the cold wave blew in it brought
with it increased suffering and misery for
hundreds of poor families in St. Louis.
To the prosperous citizen there was health
and life in the bracing morning air. The
frost on his window pane was to him an in-
dication that he would find the atmosphere
crisp and invigorating as he stepped from
his comfortable home, well fed and warmly
clad, to go to his place of business. It was
an atmosphere to kill microbes and make
the blood course faster in a healthy frame.
But the microbes that the real sufferer
destitute, if there are any, only fatten
and grow more pertinacious in such weather.
The wolf at the door grows more clamorous.
During the comparatively mild weather
before the cold spell the poor suffered
enough, but little bodily suffer-
ing that could not be speedily relieved by
the various charitable associations.

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AN EXTRA SESSION.

McKinley Says He Will Call Congress Together March
15 for Protection Legislation.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 25.—Congressman John C. Sturtevant of Crawford
County, who will succeed Joseph C. Sibley in the next Congress, is in the city. He
said that he had called on President-elect McKinley and that the latter said:

"I will call a special session of Congress on March 15, and unless I change my
mind, you may be in Washington by that time. I desire to have my protective sys-
tem inaugurated immediately upon my inauguration, and I want a measure passed
that will immediately stimulate business and give idle men work."

Congressman Sturtevant said further that no Pennsylvanian would be in the Mc-
Kinley Cabinet.

THE WEATHER FORECAST.



FAIR AND MILD.

For St. Louis and vicinity—Fair Mon-
day night and Tuesday. Not quite so cold
Tuesday.

Missouri—Generally fair Monday night and
Tuesday. Not quite so cold Tuesday.
Illinois—Generally fair Monday night and
Tuesday. Not quite so cold in north po-
tion Tuesday morning. Slowly rising tem-
perature Tuesday.

The severest cold wave of the season
covers the entire country Monday morning.

except the Gulf coast, the zero line reach-
ing from the Texas Panhandle, eastward
through the Ohio Valley. At St. Louis the
lowest temperature was 1 degree below
zero; at Chicago, 20 degrees below zero,
and White River, Canada, 40 degrees be-
low.

FELL 1,500 FEET.

Cuban at Key West Drops Into the Sea
With a Balloon.

KEY WEST, Fla., Jan. 25.—A young Cuban
named Peres fell with a balloon into the sea
Sunday afternoon and was drowned. Peres
was not an aeronaut, and after going up
1,500 feet became helpless. The ropes were
tangled and the balloon went out about a
mile from shore and fell into the water.
Boats from a revenue cutter went to render
assistance, and the balloon was recovered,
but Peres' body could not be found.

SENATOR GEORGE.

Slight Improvement Reported in His
Condition.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Senator George
of Mississippi, who has been dangerously ill
with heart trouble at Garfield Hospital,
passed a comfortable night and his phys-
ician, Dr. Hermann, said this morning that
he had hope of his rallying from the present
attack. It is not likely, however, that he
will ever return to his desk at the Capitol.

BURIAL PERMITS.

The following deaths have been re-
ported in the city during the twenty-four
hours ending at noon:
SANFORD MOREY, 60, City Hospital;
senility.

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THE EVENING PAPER.

It Is the One Which Goes Into the Homes and
the Women Are the Buyers.

Mr. C. F. Jones, advertising manager for Siegel, Cooper & Co.
of New York, who have made a phenomenal success since their
opening a few months ago, largely due to Mr. Jones' work, fur-
nishes the following tribute to the evening paper when asked:

"Do you use morning or evening papers?"

"Evening and Sunday papers only. I never
touch the morning papers, as my theory is
they are taken by the men to the offices, while
the evening papers go into the homes. The
women are the buyers, you know."



MRS. BRADLEY MARTIN.

She is the New York society leader who has issued invitations to a ball
on Feb. 10 to cost \$240,000, which is expected to outshine anything of the
kind heretofore attempted and against which Rev. Dr. Rainford has de-
clared from the pulpit. Mrs. Martin is the mother of the Countess of Cra-
ven of England. She was the daughter of Isaac Sherman, a cooper, who
left her \$4,000,000, all invested in big dividend paying stocks, producing an
income larger than is possessed by many with several times her wealth.
She lives at No. 22 West Twentieth street. Her name is not hyphenated,
Bradley being her husband's Christian name.

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AMUSEMENTS TO-NIGHT.

HAGAN—Continued.
OLYMPIC—Frank Daniels in "The Wizard of the Nile."
HAYLINS—Frank Bush, "Girl Wanted."
CENTURY—James Hove, "Shore Acres."
STANDARD—"Vanity Fair."
HOPKINS—Continued.
FOURTEENTH STREET—"For Fair Virginia."
MATINEES TO-MORROW.
HAGAN—Continued.
HAYLINS—Frank Bush, "Girl Wanted."
STANDARD—"Vanity Fair."
HOPKINS—"The Girl of the Year."
FOURTEENTH STREET—"For Fair Virginia."

HELP THE HELPLESS.

While the severe change in temperature throughout the West means a bracing of the vital activities to some, to others an increase of social misdeeds and outdoor sports, to thousands it means destitution, suffering and even death.

The suffering is doubtless greater in Chicago than elsewhere. There the admitted conditions are appalling in extent and character. While St. Louis is less sorely stricken, conditions here are not such as to warrant complacent inactivity among those who have wherewith to spare.

There can be no doubt that there are forty or fifty thousand persons in this city actually destitute and suffering for the necessities of life in such an inclement season as this. Our organized charities have been making appeals which have been ineffective to meet the constantly growing demands of the situation. They are doing a noble work and in this emergency they should have the co-operation of everybody whose means enable them to help their more unfortunate fellow creatures.

But there are many cases which organized charity cannot reach. These should be sought out by that charity which lets not its left hand know what its right hand doeth. Our well-to-do citizens should look about them. They should find out the deserving poor in their own neighborhoods. In this way relief can be brought to many who would otherwise suffer in silence.

The duty is imperative. What you find for your hand to do, that do quickly.

THE RAILROAD "GRAFT."

Robert P. Porter is a prime hand at the collection of statistics. He is always worth his salary to the interest which he employs him. A year ago he was collecting figures to justify a tariff on McKinley lines and at that time the figures proved conclusively to his mind that the tariff was the only thing worth considering.

Now he is in the employ of the railroads and he has collected a mass of statistics which dwarf every other industry into insignificance. The tariff is no longer "in it." Mr. Porter has the figures to prove that the railroads have been losing revenue at the rate of \$100,000,000 in ten years, and such a condition, he insists, is of such tremendous importance to all our material interests that it is entitled to consideration and remedy before being left alone. There must be legislation, he concludes, to set this right, or we are lost.

The Post-Dispatch insisted during the late campaign that the repeal of the anti-pooling clause in the Interstate Commerce law was a part of the McKinley programme. There has never been the least reason to doubt the truth of that statement. Porter's figures are a preparation of the public mind for the necessary legislation.

This country must pay "all the traffic will bear."

LET US HAVE PEACE.

If we are to enter upon the millennium at once there can be no objection to the proposed arbitration treaty with France. If arbitration is a good thing we certainly cannot have too much of it. Besides, the proposed treaty with France will afford an excellent opportunity for testing the sincerity of those who are so

volubly insisting that we shall spend millions of dollars in navies and fortifications while making arbitration treaties to assure peace. If arbitration treaties will not reduce appropriations and taxes, what are they good for? And if they can reduce appropriations and taxes why should we stop short of the full measure of possible reduction? Let us have all the arbitration and all the reduction we can possibly get.

We should like to hear from Mr. Olney and Mr. Bayard and Mr. Cleveland as to arbitration with France. We expect to hear long that the French proposal is a Russian trick to prevent an alliance between the United States and England. Well, if such a treaty is necessary to prevent an entangling alliance with any foreign power, we ought to welcome it. We are sure, if arbitration treaties make for peace, we cannot have too many of them.

Let us have peace.

A GOOD PIECE OF WORK.

The State Committee accomplished a delicate and important work in bringing about a reorganization of the Democratic City Central Committee in St. Louis with comparatively little friction and on a plan in which all factions seem ready to acquiesce.

Since the enactment of the new election law basing registration upon the precinct, the adoption of the precinct plan was rendered inevitable whenever the reorganization of the party in the city should come. The old ward plan was antiquated, cumbersome, a citadel for bossism, and was largely responsible for the inefficiency of the party's organization in the city. With the precinct plan in operation, party management will be brought close home to the individual voter, and under modern conditions of party warfare this is the one indispensable condition of effective organization.

The only defect in the new plan of organization is that it recognizes the old ward divisions. The bad effect of this will not be felt for several years. The new committeemen-at-large and the new ward committeemen appointed by the State Committee will for a long time make the central body quite different from what it has been for ten or fifteen years past. But in the long run the election of the committeemen by wards will perpetuate the power of the old ward bosses and prepare the way for new ones. To make the new plan perfect, the old ward divisions should have been utterly ignored in the reorganization.

It is probable that this was the one concession made by the State Committee in order to secure harmony and avoid a factional contest which would have paralyzed party activity for at least two years.

FREEZING MOTORMEN.

This is the kind of weather to make one feel that the frequent appeals for some kind of protection to motormen on the street cars ought to be followed by a law compelling the companies to furnish such protection if they continue to ignore what is manifestly a duty demanded by the sentiment of humanity.

It is difficult in such weather to keep warm inside the cars with the stove burning and with the plan of the car. The conductor can get inside the car, a good deal, but keep fairly comfortable, but the motorman must face the blast, at a temperature below zero, with no possible means of lessening the misery which he is subjected to under such conditions. Every one who has tried facing such a temperature for any length of period knows that no heavy overcoat or other clothing can keep out the bitter air and prevent the body from becoming chilled to the marrow.

A few street car companies have provided vestibules or weather shields for their motormen and gripmen. The people will not be satisfied until all street cars have this equipment. And if the companies will not put them on their cars, a law must be passed compelling them to do so.

Mr. D. B. Francis is being considered for Secretary of the Interior by McKinley's cabinet. As this announcement is made in Mr. Francis' newspaper, it may be considered authoritative, at least to the extent of making it plain that Mr. Francis is willing to be so considered. Nor is this surprising. As Mr. Francis showed an exuberant willingness to desert his party and become a member of the McKinley Aid Society in order to become the tail-end member of a Cuckoo Cabinet for six months, it is only natural that he should be willing to go still farther and become a Republican, if rewarded with the same position for four years. If the official rewards hold out, Mr. Francis will swing around the entire circle of the parties before he winds up and ascends where he is at.

The Mayor of Chicago charges that men of wealth and prominence are to blame for the failure of municipal government. He mentions an instance where leading citizens crowded his office to protest against public good that affected their private interests. So long as selfishness and greed predominate, no city can be well governed.

Comptroller Roberts of the State of New York is warning the rich that they must consent to pay a larger proportion of the expenses of government, and to relieve the people, or they will be confronted with a revolution. Since the election a great many people who have never been "Anarchists" have begun to talk.

The wife of Congressman Sprague, the new member from the Eleventh Massachusetts District, is said to have \$25,000, and she gave him a present of \$1,000,000 on his wedding day. However, as Mr. Sprague is an American citizen without any foreign title, nobody is disposed to complain.

Mr. Rockefeller might become interested in the Nicaragua Canal if the money that is in it were clearly visible to great financiers, and Pierpont Morgan would also be heard from. In fact, any number of millionaires would be bidding for the stock.

When the Mayor of Chicago is done weeping about certain reforms are impossible in Chicago, let him do a little grieving over the possibilities of the pestilential drainage ditch with which Chicago is to poison so many people in the State.

The popular loan system may work well in Greater New York. If people could see themselves more directly concerned in municipal government, they would be more likely to join reform movements and help to make everything better.

Justice Harlan of the United States Supreme Court, who stood by the income tax law, is teaching a Sunday-school class of thirty or forty young men in Washington. There can be no doubt of Justice Harlan's usefulness.

The enormous new hotel at Twelfth and Olive, illustrated in the Sunday Post-Dispatch, bore an aspect of prosperity quite cheering. Even in this dull year there may be great things for the Solid City.

A subservient Western man in the Treasury is of no use to the country than an Eastern man of extreme monometallic views. The appointment of Mr. Gage will be of no benefit to this section.

As the advance agent of prosperity, Mr. McKinley might well advocate the deepening of the Mississippi channel. The whaleback trade would go far toward making good times in the West.

The British Empire always has a barl of titles to give away. The five Canadian Mayors who are to be knighted have reason to be thankful that British honors are so easily attainable.

If the new President wants a gold Democrat in his Cabinet, why does he not take one of the members of the present Cabinet? He might even consider Grover and amuse the people.

A prosperity wave as general as the present hyperborean rush would help Mr. McKinley so much that even Ohio men might find something to do outside the Federal offices.

Possibly Col. Ed Butler could enlist Disinfecter Randall in the good work of modifying the reduction odors of which complaints have been so long and loud.

Mr. Ingalls will wait sixteen years he may also go to the Senate again. The luck of patient Platt should encourage every statesman out of a job.

As much money can be sunk in a long canal as can be scattered over a long railroad. No more Government money should be wasted on either.

The Chicago Record speaks of Mr. Sherman as a landmark. His tendency to become a landmark is just what has given him so much real estate.

Should President Harrison become Ambassador to England his friend Carnegie will be at much less expense in shipping him Scotch whisky.

If Gov. Tanner makes the Illinois State-house a vengeance nursery he may harm himself much more than he will injure his enemies.

The vote of Ohio was so remarkable that it seems likely to be a subject for talk to the last day of Mr. McKinley's administration.

Benevolence is unusually busy in both hemispheres this year. It has perhaps never had greater opportunities for blessing mankind.

The foreign artist who is to paint Mr. McKinley's portrait doesn't care how few orders are given our capable American painters.

With her sixty pianos on which to play "God Save the Queen," it is no wonder that Victoria has lived and reigned so long.

Mr. Carnegie says he is optimistic. Other people's optimism has blow-holes in it. Mr. Carnegie's is the only genuine.

If the cartoonists have accurately outlined Mr. Hanna's graceful figure, the Sherman toga will not be a perfect fit.

The fact that Mr. Bryan's book is already being pirated is the best of evidence that it is going to be widely read.

Prophet Hicks felt a warm glow all through his system this morning, in the midst of the weather's austerity.

When Senator Hanna goes to Washington he will be where Thomas B. Reed can gaze upon his greatness daily.

The scheme to exclude Canadian fish may be a start toward rebuilding our codfish aristocracy.

The heavy fall of snow in Texas is sufficiently Hicksian for that part of the country.

Judge Murphy does not propose to confine himself to any one line of demoralization. "Evening" he said to the demoralized.

Missouri's big cold drop of 60 degrees in 24 hours is the largest icicle of the winter.

Reflections of a Bachelor.
Some men would rather lose a friend than a Jack-pot.

A man always feels cheated when he hears his wife call another woman "My dear."

The first sign that a girl has social aspirations is when she begins to make fun of the family photograph album.

As far as her chances for getting married are concerned, a girl would better be hasty than not to take care of her clothes.

Correctly Described.
From the Indianapolis Journal.

"Archie is in love with a chorus girl," said the fond mother, nervously.

"I guess it won't hurt him," said the experienced father. "It is only calf love."

The Inevitable.
From the Ram's Horn.

The man who sits on a limb and saws it off is a Solomon compared to the one who thinks he can sin without having to suffer.

CHANGE THY WAYS, O TRADE!
But oh, the poor! the poor! the poor! That stand by the inward-opening door Trade's hand doth tighten ever more, And when the door is closed, they sigh For the outside air of liberty's door. When Nature spreads her wings, and says: "For Art to make its melody!" Thou Trade! thou king of the modern days! Let the swart laborers fly; Let the swart laborers fly;

A Little while.
Where Art and Nature sing and smile, Trade is thy heart all dead, all dead! And hast thou nothing but a head? Sidney Lanier, "The Symphony."

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IN THE POLICE BY.



REV. DR. W. S. RAINSFORD.
This is the popular rector of St. George's Episcopal Church in New York, whose remarks about the proposed Bradley Martin bill have created such a commotion both in New York society and all over the country. He said the extravagance of the rich was widening the breach between the so-called upper and lower classes.

W. S. Witham of Atlanta is president of twenty-seven Georgia banks located in the small towns of that State.

Senator Pritchard was a printer's "devil" out of the capital of England. He was the "Cajonero" (Tenn.) Tribune.

Cornwall Parish, Va., has issued an appeal to the country for money to build a church at Smithville, Charlotte County, in memory of Patrick Henry, near where his last utterances were made. Patrick Henry was a devout member of the Episcopal Church.

The Russian Academy of Science had elected Prof. Simon Newcomb, the distinguished astronomer of Washington, an honorary member. Prof. Newcomb's portrait was hung in the observatory at Pulkova in 1887 among those of other great astronomers, by order of the Russian Government.

M. Zola doubts whether he will write a book about London. He says: "If I were to do anything in that way it would be based on what I saw of London's great waterway, the Thames, which has been the source of all the wealth, power and grandeur of the capital of England. Whoever has not seen the Thames cannot explain the greatness of London, whose heart and pulse it is. I should certainly be attracted by the Thames in anything I might be induced to write."

French legitimists are rejoicing over the report that the Duchess of Orleans is in an interesting condition. In England the Duchess of York expects her third child in April.

Miss Knight of London has been appointed Professor of Anatomy and Pathology in the Lulliana Medical School, Northwestern Province, India.

In the voting by the readers of Woman, the English Journal, to decide who is the most popular woman in the United Kingdom, outside of royal circles, the Baroness Burdett-Coutts led the list, with Ellen Terry second and Mme. Patti third.

Burlington, the Tuxedo of San Francisco, will soon be ornamented with a handsome country house built by Mrs. Frank J. Carlson, one of the daughters of George M. Pullman. The house is modeled after an old Norman manor, and bears a striking resemblance to the California mission architecture.

Miss Pauline Woodward is one of the few women who has made a great success of horsemanship. Not many years ago she borrowed sufficient money to equip herself for this purpose. She owns a plot of land near Poughkeepsie, where she raises foals exclusively for a certain New York hotel. Her income from the sale of these foals was \$3,000 last year.

Pretty Carrie Bacon, aged 9, has just been discharged from a New York hospital, after a trying ordeal. Early in December she met with an accident which split her lip, tore her ear, knocked her entire upper jaw back to the palate and scattered nine teeth. Three surgeons and a dentist sewed and mended, unpolished her mouth, replanted her teeth and finally discharged the girl without a scar, just as good as new.

WHERE WIT SPARKLES.
Madam: After all, the sum of human happiness may be put in three words, Monsieur. What the dickens are they? "I love you." "O, I didn't know but you meant 'Pay to bearer.'"—Cincinnati Enquirer.

"That woman over there looks as if she were painted." "Sir, that is my wife." "I don't finished my sentence. She looks as if she were painted by Raphael and had just stepped out of the frame."—Clips.

"What do you mean, sir?" roared the irate father, "by bringing your trunk to my house and ordering a room?" "I'm adopted as one of the family," coolly answered the young man. "Then, daughter, that would be a sister to me."—Detroit Free Press.

Why He Was Sick—He: Did you know that in some parts of China pigs are harnessed to wagons? She: That's nothing. Here, in this country, pigs often ride in the street cars, occupying seats and paying fares just the same as men. Do you chew tobacco? But he had swallowed it and had to get off at the next crossing.—Cleveland Leader.

The detective came out from the cell, where he had been questioning the suspect. "Well," asked the other detectives, "I believe the man is innocent." For an instant the man looked at them, and then he said: "There was no time to lose, they sprang on him, bound and hustled him to the insane asylum before he had time to become violent."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

A LINE FROM FICTION.
From the Louisville Times.

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Does France Desire Arbitration?

From the New York Journal.

Two opposing views will be taken by Americans of France's reported desire to enter into an arbitration treaty with us. One party of honest men will say that it is another proof of the value of the pending treaty with Great Britain; that the European governments, wearied with the tremendous burden of fleets and standing armies they are staggering under, are going to hasten to follow the admirable example set by Secretary Olney and Lord Salisbury, not only in making treaties with us, but also with one another; in a word, that war has become impossible and the millennium of universal peace with honor is at hand.

But another party of men, no less honest, will see in it fresh reason to look askance upon the Olney-Salisbury treaty. They will argue that the French, observing how easy it is to hoodwink the enthusiastic and impulsive Americans into submitting the Monroe doctrine to a royal arbitrator in Europe, have resolved to take advantage of the situation and thus further their designs in regard to the Panama Canal.

Whichever is the correct view, it is not likely that we shall jump headlong into arbitration, nor ratify any treaty that is calculated to injure us in our rights or our privileges. Nor shall we reject any treaty with England or with France that, securing our rights and privileges, at the same time makes war a remote possibility.

Tanner and Madden.
From the Lemont (Ill.) News.

Every sensible man in Illinois knows that Tanner came on his bended knees and begged Madden for the candidacy for the Governorship, and that it was Madden who placed him in his present high position. No thinking man can doubt that Tanner promised Madden his aid in securing the Senatorial toga, in return, and we all know that, when it came to fulfilling his part of the compact, Tanner turned traitor to his friend and gave the order to his henchmen to desert Madden. It was the act of a political traitor, the stab of a midnight assassin.

An Honest, Manly Fight.
From the Lowry City (Mo.) Globe.

The Post-Dispatch has battled for the common people and is still in the fight for what it believes is right. It came out of the late campaign with a boycott on its hands by the sound money merchants of St. Louis and has run the boycott to the wall; Pulitizers' money has kept up an honest, manly fight for the producer against the combine and blood-sucking corporations.

Wipe Out the Grand-Jury.
From the Joplin (Mo.) Globe.

The Missouri general assembly could win the everlasting gratitude of the people of the State by doing away with the Grand Jury law that now cumbers the statutes. The Grand Jury is a relic of the dark ages that should have no place in the light of modern civilization. Everything of a public nature should be open to the public. There should be no opportunity for the sneaking work that is often done through the grand jury and that through no fault of the men constituting the panel.

Sad.
From the Indianapolis Journal.

"Say," said the guest nervously, "I want to ask you a question. Isn't it a fact that my room is haunted?" "Yes," said the host, "but I didn't suppose you would mind it. The old man is perfectly harmless."

"Yes, the ghost you heard is the old fellow who built up the business. He can't rest easy because it goes on just as well as ever it did, now that he is gone."

Abolish the Fee System.
From the Seymour (Mo.) Herald.

We commend the editorial from the Post-Dispatch that appears in the Herald this week, relating to the abolition of the fee system, and bear in mind that the back tax fees must go with the rest. The present Legislature has a duty to perform in this matter that it cannot ignore.

Another Want Ad.
From the Kansas City Times.

Wanted—A capable old gentleman to furnish \$200,000.00 and take a swamped note for security. Uncle Sam preferred. Address, with stamp, Nicaragua Canal Co., Washington, D. C.

Sullivan's Bad Threat.
From the Washington Post.

As John L. Sullivan has retired from the prize ring it is difficult to understand how he contracted that throat trouble. It may be, however, that it has been overworked as a right-of-way for red liquor.

INSULT TO INJURY.
From the Indianapolis Journal.

"What did she say when you told her you was a Cuban war sufferer?" asked Hungry Higgins, who had waited at the gate.

"She told me," answered Weary Watkins, who had "made the pile," "she told me to see how quick I could walk Spanish."

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THE THEATERS.

A saved-off little man with a large and flexible countenance and a mobile torso, slapping a Ptolemy of Old Egypt on the back, then pulling eggs from the royal mouth; that is one of the absurdly funny incidents of "The Wizard of the Nile," which began last one week at the Olympic last evening. This is the second successful season of Frank Daniels and his company in the opera, but St. Louis has never seen it before. The lines are by Harry R. Smith and the music by Victor Herbert. The story is about Kibosh, a Persian magician, who, while on a professional tour of Egypt, gets into favor and then into difficulties with Ptolemy. He aspires to love Cleopatra, who knows naught of love, but there are other ambitious gentlemen at court. One of them is a baritone singer, who is teaching Cleopatra what love is, and another is Kibosh's assistant, Abydos. Through the machinations of his enemies, Kibosh is immured in a pyramid to die of hunger, but he escapes, and the magician, chance Ptolemy is incarcerated with him. Abydos and a band of rollicking blades impersonated by young women, learn the secret of the pyramid and, after frightening Kibosh and his associates, rescue him. Kibosh forces the King to terms. The story is not skillfully worked out and the lines are for the most part inane, but Mr. Daniels is nearly always in evidence and he is very funny. Every time he played the egg on the Ptolemy the audience enjoyed it, and he did it whenever there was nothing else to do.

The first two acts of the opera are amusing and the last is uproariously funny. The music is characteristic of Victor Herbert. It is admirably adapted to the lines and there is much melody in it. The most successful number is a quaternary chorus that instantly recalls the Tinker chorus in "Robin Hood." It ultimately sets one to wondering if Herbert stole the melody from De Koven, from whom did De Koven steal it? There are other bright and tuneful numbers in the score, as every one knows who pays the slightest attention to music as it is rendered by playhouse orchestras. The Post-Dispatch has battled for the common people and is still in the fight for what it believes is right. It came out of the late campaign with a boycott on its hands by the sound money merchants of St. Louis and has run the boycott to the wall; Pulitizers' money has kept up an honest, manly fight for the producer against the combine and blood-sucking corporations.

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BOOKKEEPER—Wanted, position as bookkeeper or cashier; best of references given. Ad. O. 20, this office.

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MAN AND WIFE—Situations wanted by man and wife in private home; man, good cook and housekeeper; man, good houseman; best city references. E. M. 2021 Pine st.

MAN—Wanted, position by young married man; experienced in the hotel business; speaks English and general office work; can furnish best city references; best of references given. Ad. E. 307, this office.

MAN—Wanted, situation by good-looking young man at anything; understands care of horses, cows, hogs, and all farm work; best city references. Ad. E. 307, this office.

MAN—Wanted, position by experienced colored man in private family as coachman or houseman. 2119 Lucas av.

MAN—Wanted, position by good colored man to do housework, stable work, etc.; good references. Ad. 1005 Gratian.

MAN—A young German, short time in this country; used to first-class hotel work; speaks English and German; best of references given. Ad. W. 6, 315 Franklin av.

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MAN WANTED—A colored man to work about the house. 105 N. 14th st.

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